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Status						
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2a) <u></u> ⊤h	is action is FINAL . 2b)⊠ This	action is non-final.				
	3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the ments is					
clo	sed in accordance with the practice under E	x parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 45	3 O.G. 213.			
Disposition	of Claims					
4)⊠ Cla	aim(s) <u>1-7</u> is/are pending in the application.					
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
	5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.					
6)⊠ Cla	6) Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.					
	aim(s) is/are objected to.					
8)∏ Cla	aim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	r election requirement.				
Application	Papers					
9) The	specification is objected to by the Examine	r				
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.						
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).						
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Priority und	er 35 U.S.C. § 119					
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 12)⊠ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).						
, — <u>-</u>	a)⊠ All b)□ Some * c)□ None of:					
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.						
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage. 						
3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).						
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.						
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	References Cited (PTO-892) Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	4) Interview Summary (
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DETAILED ACTION

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35
 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Pielartzik et al 5,084,547.

The cited prior art discloses thermotropic, fully aromatic polycondensates comprising repeat units as claimed. See columns 3-5. The prior art disclosures have features and characteristics as claimed.

2. Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly by Murakami et al 5,408,347.

The cited prior art discloses polyester based LCD device comprising a polyester polymer derived from structural units as claimed. See Example 1 in column 7. The prior art composition has features and characteristics as claimed.

- 3. References listed on PTO-1449 have been made part of the record.
- 4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SAMUEL A. ACQUAH whose telephone number is 571-272-1065. The examiner can normally be reached on M-TH, FRIDAYS OFF.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JAMES SEIDLECK can be reached on 571-272-1078. The fax phone

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